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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7588

BILL NUMBER: SB 340

NOTE PREPARED: Feb 5, 2003

BILL AMENDED: Feb 4, 2003

SUBJECT: Dentist Instructor License.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Miller

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: 2nd Reading - 1st House

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL
DEDICATED
FEDERAL

IMPACT: State

Summary of Legislation: (Amended) This bill authorizes the Board of Dentistry to issue an instructor's license until June 30, 2008, to an individual who: (1) has been licensed for five of the preceding nine years to practice dentistry; (2) has been approved under the Indiana School of Dentistry credentialing process; (3) has documented or demonstrated clinical and academic competency to the Board; (4) is fluent in the English language; and (5) pays the licensing fee. The bill also limits the holder of an instructor's license to teaching or practicing dentistry at the Indiana School of Dentistry or an affiliated medical center for the time period by which the holder is employed by the school or affiliated medical center. The bill limits an Indiana school of dentistry to employing no more than two individuals with this license at one time. It requires the Indiana School of Dentistry to notify the Health Professions Bureau upon termination of the holder's employment contract.

Effective Date: July 1, 2003.

Explanation of State Expenditures: (Revised) The Board of Dentistry would be required to set a fee for the instructor's license and adopt rules regarding the issuance and renewal of the license. The cost of a Board of Dentistry meeting is estimated to be \$1,080. If an additional meeting is required to carry out this proposal, the Board's expenditures would increase approximately \$1,080. Administrative, printing, and postage costs may also be associated with issuing a new license.

Explanation of State Revenues: (Revised) The fee charged for the new license will be dependent on the issuing cost and the number of dentists who qualify and apply for the license. According to the Health Professions Bureau, 3,519 dentists held active licenses as of October 2002. It is unknown how many dentists, who are not licensed in Indiana, will obtain a dentist instructor's license before June 30, 2008. However, the

bill limits a school of dentistry to employing only two individuals who are licensed under this bill at any one time. Revenue generated by the instructor's license would be deposited in the state General Fund.

This proposal is set to expire on June 30, 2008.

Explanation of Local Expenditures:

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: Health Professions Bureau.

Local Agencies Affected:

Information Sources: Health Professions Bureau.

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